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## SUBMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(c)

Sir:

This is a submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(c) to correct an inadvertent error in claiming small entity status and to pay the deficiency that may have resulted from mistakenly paid small entity fees.

Patentee is now and has always itself been a small entity with less than 500 employees.

A license to the above-captioned application and/or the subsequently issued patent was granted to Pharmacia, Inc., on October 1, 1994, to Cepheid<sup>1</sup> on September 30, 2005, and to bioMerieux SA on March 20, 2006. Patentee's agent, through error and without deceptive intent, continued to pay small entity fees thereafter. Accordingly, in compliance payithethe patherness 501258, 5776563

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Cepheid appears to have grown to over 500 employees sometime during 2008.

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patentee now submits a good faith payment of the deficiency owed and requests the Office excuse the error.

Please charge \$6,122 to our **Deposit Account No. 50-1283** for the total deficiency. As required under 37 CFR § 1.28 (c)(2)(ii), an itemization with respect to each fee that was paid is attached. If the Office determines that the calculation of the deficiency is in error, or if any other fee is required for entry, consideration, or acceptance of this paper, patentee requests that the Director debit the appropriate fee(s) from our **Deposit Account No. 50-1283**.

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## ITEMIZATION UNDER § 1.28(c)(2)(ii)

DATE	DESCRIPTION OF FEE	FEE PAID	FEE CODE <sup>2</sup>	CURRENT FEE3	DEFICIENCY
06-06-95	Excess Total Claims (12)	\$132	1202	\$624	\$492
06-06-95	Basic Filing Fee	\$365	1001	\$850	\$485
07-25-96	1 mos. EOT	\$55	1251	\$130	\$75
02-28-97	IDS under 1.17(p)	\$230	1806	\$180	NA
02-28-97	2 mos. EOT	\$195	1252	\$490	\$295
04-27-98	Issue Fee	\$660	1501	\$1510	\$850
04-27-98	Soft Copies (10)	\$30	8001	\$30	0
01-04-02	Maintenance Fee, 4 <sup>th</sup> yr	\$440	1551	\$980	\$540
12-30-05	Maintenance Fee, 8 <sup>th</sup> yr	\$1150	1552	\$2480	\$1330
01-07-10	Maintenance Fee, 12 <sup>th</sup> yr	\$2055	1553	\$4110	\$2055

TOTAL \$6122

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Current large entity fee code.

<sup>3</sup> Current large entity fee (FY 2011 fee schedule, as revised 1 January 2011).